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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Responsive to requirement for restriction mailed October 6, 2003, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Species II. Claims to Species II, as identified by the Examiner, include claims 37 and 38.

Although Applicants are selecting at this time to prosecute the claims of Species II, Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the claims of Species I (claims 1 to 36) in a separate divisional application.

Respectfully submitted,

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